

First Subspecies.

Friable Black Manganese-Ore.

Zerreibliches Schwarz Braunsteinerz, *Karsten.*

Zerreibliches Schwarzbraunsteinerz, *Reuss*, b. iv. s. 459. *Id.*
Karsten, Tabel. s. 72.—Zerreibliches Schwarzmanganerz,
Haus. s. 109.—Manganese oxydé noire brunâtre pulverulent,
Haüy, Tabl. p. 110. (in part).—Ochriger Schwarz Braun-
 steinerz, *Haus.* Handb. b. i. s. 294.

External Characters.

Its colour is brownish-black.

It occurs fruticose, in crusts, and in imbedded roundish kidneys.

It is dull, or glimmering and resinous.

The fracture is earthy.

It occurs in curved lamellar concretions.

It is very soft, passing into friable.

It soils slightly.

It is light.

Geognostic and Geographic Situations.

It occurs along with grey manganese-ore, compact black ironstone, and lithomarge. The fruticose variety is found at Schmalkalden; and the imbedded roundish kidneys in snow-white lithomarge at Johanngeorgenstadt. It is also met with at Ilfeld.